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MEMORANDUM ENDORSED

By ECF

February 1, 2023

Honorable Gregory H. Woods United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

> Re: United States v. Alex Garcia Case No.: 22 Cr. 522 (GHW)

Dear Judge Woods:

I am the attorney for Alex Garcia regarding the above referenced matter. I was retained the day of his arrest and I represented Mr. Garcia at his arraignment in Magistrates Court.

I have a conflict and can no longer represent Mr. Garcia. The conflict arises because I represent Joan Mercedes a co defendant in the indictment before Your Honor in a case pending in State Court in New York County. I have advised Mr. Garcia and his family, AUSA Ashley Nicolas and Mr. Mercedes counsel, Jill Shellow of the conflict.

I am therefore requesting to be relieved. This matter is scheduled for a conference on February 3, 2023 at 1PM. I do not know if Mr. Garcia's family will retain new counsel. I am writing this letter today in advance of the conference to enable the Court to have CJA counsel present on February 3, 2023.

Thank you.

Application denied without prejudice. Counsel is directed to Local Cr. R. 1.1(b) which outlines the process to move for withdrawal. Any renewed submission should be filed in compliance with the Court's local rules.

Respectfully yours, /s

Donald H. Vogelman

The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate the motion pending at Dkt.

No. 73.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 1, 2023 New York, New York United States District Judge